



EducationUSA Ambassador Program

An EducationUSA Ambassador is someone who “tells their story” about studying in the United States to peers and individuals around the world. Through a network of seven EducationUSA Advising Centers (EACs) in Thailand, Ambassadors will work with a team of coordinators and advisers who are part of the EducationUSA network, which receives support from the U.S. Embassy in Bangkok and the U.S. Department of State’s Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA).

This program is designed to foster open and honest exchange between Thais to share thoughts and experiences related to studying in the U.S. An Ambassador will provide encouragement for Thai youth and parents who may not fully participate in EducationUSA events due to limited English language proficiency, nervousness when speaking with American representatives, or a desire to speak with fellow Thais who have studied in the U.S. Each Ambassador helps to promote the services of EACs throughout Thailand. While EducationUSA Ambassadors are based in an area close to one of the EAC locations in Bangkok, Chiang Mai, or Hat Yai, they may also be asked to travel to various parts of Thailand.

The EducationUSA Ambassador Program is a great opportunity for paid travel, professional development, and enhancement of networking and public speaking skills. Each Ambassador will be asked to make a one-year commitment and help with recruiting Ambassadors for the following year. There will be an orientation and training seminar in Bangkok in October that each Ambassador will be asked to attend. After initial briefings, time commitment for activities should be minimal, with activities including: serving as the lead Ambassador to coordinate one outreach activity during the program year, and collaborating with other EducationUSA Ambassadors in answering questions posted on a dedicated website, Facebook/Twitter page, and/or other forms of social media.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Speak at schools and universities to reach out to students interested in studying in the U.S.
- Coordinate outreach with educational institution administrators (including time, location, advertisement, etc.).
- Be available to parents and other non-students who want information about studying in the U.S.
- Use provided materials to prepare for events and deliver content on various topics (the university application process, the visa application process, adjusting to life in the U.S., etc.).
- Submit monthly updates to local EAC advisers and the U.S. Embassy in Bangkok.
- Document activities and successes in written and visual/photographic form.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Minimum of a Bachelor’s degree or equivalent and prior study in the U.S.
- Strong English and Thai language skills.
- Experience with, knowledge of, and interest in the U.S. higher education system.
- Commitment to international education and cultural exchange.
- Experience with and comfortable with public speaking.
- Excellent time management, planning and implementation, analytical, and computer/internet skills.
- High level of attention to detail.
- Willingness to work non-traditional hours (evenings, weekends) and collaborate with others.

If you are interested in being an EducationUSA Ambassador, please e-mail Bangkokpd@state.gov and on the **subject line** please write **EducationUSA Ambassador Program**.

Application deadline is December 31, 2011